

EXHIBIT 9

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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CASANDRA VENTURA

Plaintiff,

v.

SEAN COMBS, BAD BOY ENTERTAINMENT,
BAD BOY RECORDS, EPIC RECORDS, COMBS
ENTERPRISES, LLC, and DOE CORPS. 1-10,

Defendants.
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Civil Case No.: 23-cv-10098

COMPLAINT

JURY TRIAL DEMAND

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Plaintiff Casandra Ventura (“Ms. Ventura”) hereby alleges, as and for her Complaint against Defendant Sean Combs (“Mr. Combs”), Bad Boy Entertainment, Bad Boy Records, Epic Records, Combs Enterprises, LLC, and Doe Corporations 1-10 (together, “Defendant Corporations,” and together with Mr. Combs, “Defendants”) as follows:

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. Defendant Sean Combs is a rapper and record executive popularly known by his stage names Puff Daddy, P. Diddy, or Diddy. Mr. Combs came to fame in the early 1990s with his record label Bad Boy Records. He rose to prominence in the music and entertainment industry over the decades and is regularly referred to as a hip-hop mogul.

2. In 2022, Mr. Combs received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the BET Awards. During his acceptance speech, Mr. Combs stated, “I have to give a special shoutout, thank you, love, to the people that was really there for me.” He named a number of people, before adding, “[a]nd also Cassie, for holding me down in the dark times, love.”